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THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
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THE TRENDS THROUGH WHICH COMMUNIST FORCES MIGHT COME TO
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THE STUDY SHOULD THEN CONSIDER THE IMPACT OF SUCH
TRENDS ON OUR INTERESTS, INCLUDING US BILATERAL, NATO,
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FOREIGN POLICY, AND DESCRIBE THE OPTIONS OPEN TO THE US GOVERN-
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